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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR ANIMAL AGRICULTURE, INCLUDING BY PROVIDING FOR
OFFENSES INVOLVING ANIMALS AND CROPS AND RELATED PROPERTY,
AND PROVIDING PENALTIES.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
Section 1. Section 717A.2, subsection 3, paragraph a, Code
Supplement 2003, is amended to read as follows:
a. A person who violates subsection 1, paragraph "a", is
guilty of a class "C" felony if the injury to or death of an
animal or damage to property exceeds ~~fifty ten~~ thousand
dollars, a class "D" felony if the injury to or death of an
animal or damage to property exceeds ~~five hundred one thousand~~
dollars but does not exceed ~~fifty ten~~ thousand dollars, an
aggravated misdemeanor if the injury to or death of an animal
or damage to property exceeds one hundred dollars but does not
exceed ~~five hundred one thousand~~ dollars, a serious
misdemeanor if the injury to or death of an animal or damage
to property exceeds fifty dollars but does not exceed one
hundred dollars, or a simple misdemeanor if the injury to or
death of an animal or damage to property does not exceed fifty
dollars.
Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 717A.4 PATHOGENS THREATENING
ANIMALS AND CROPS == PENALTY.
1. Except as provided in subsection 2, a person shall not
willfully possess, transport, or transfer a pathogen with an
intent to threaten the health of an animal or crop.
a. For animals, a pathogen restricted under this section
shall be limited to a biological agent or toxin listed in 9
C.F.R. } 121.2(b), as that list exists on January 1, 2004.
b. For crops, a pathogen restricted under this section
shall be limited to a biological agent or toxin listed in 7
C.F.R. } 331.3, as that list exists on January 1, 2004.
2. This section does not apply to a person who possesses,
transports, or distributes a pathogen in compliance with
federal law, including but not limited to as provided in 9
C.F.R. pt. 121 or 7 C.F.R. pt. 331.
3. A person who violates this section is guilty of a class
"B" felony.

CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS
Speaker of the House

JEFFREY M. LAMBERTI
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and
is known as House File 2486, Eightieth General Assembly.

MARGARET THOMSON
Chief Clerk of the House
Approved _____, 2004

THOMAS J. VILSACK
Governor